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- 1. USPTO Utility Patent Application Transmittal Form PTO/SB/05;
- 2. Authorization to Treat a Reply As Incorporating An Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3);
- 3. U.S. Utility Patent Application entitled:

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- a. an Application Data Sheet (37 C.F.R. § 1.76);
- b. specification containing:
 - i. 14 pages of description prior to the claims;

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- c. 1 sheet of drawings: (Figure); and
- 4. Two (2) return postcards.

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